## SUBCHAPTER C—PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION (PCS) ALLOWANCES FOR SUBSISTENCE AND TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES

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#### **Relocation Allowances**

#### Subpart A—Eligibility

NOTE TO SUBPART A: Use of pronouns "I', "you", and their variants throughout this subpart refers to the employee, unless otherwise noted.

### § 302-4.1 What is a permanent change of station (PCS)?

A permanent change of station (PCS) is an assignment of a new appointee to an official station or the transfer of an employee from one official station to another on a permanent basis.

#### § 302-4.2 Am I eligible for subsistence and transportation allowances for PCS travel under this part?

Yes, you are eligible for subsistence and transportation allowances for PCS travel if your agency specifically authorizes relocation expenses under this part and are:

- (a) Transferred employees (within or outside CONUS);
- (b) New appointees (within or outside CONUS); and
- (c) An employee(s) assigned to posts of duty outside CONUS in connection with either overseas tour renewal agreement travel or return travel to places of residence for separation.

NOTE TO \$302-4.2: Also see tables at \$\$302-3.2 and 302-3.101.

#### **Subpart B—Travel Expenses**

### § 302-4.100 What PCS travel expenses will my immediate family members receive?

Except as specifically provided in §302-4.202, the rules (for TDY travel) in chapter 301 of this title will be used for payment of the travel expenses of your immediate family members.

## § 302-4.101 Must my immediate family member(s) and I begin PCS travel at the old official station and end at the new official station?

No, if an alternate location is used, reimbursement is limited to the allowable cost by the usually traveled route between your old and new official stations.

#### Subpart C—Per Diem

### § 302-4.200 What per diem rate will I receive for en route relocation travel within CONUS?

Your per diem for en route relocation travel between your old and new official stations will be at the standard CONUS rate (see applicable FTR Per Diem Bulletins available on the Internet at http://www.gsa.gov/perdiem). You will be reimbursed in accordance with §§301–11.100 through 301–11.102 of this title.

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### § 302-4.201 How are my authorized en route travel days and per diem determined for relocation travel?

Your authorized en route travel days and per diem are determined as follows: The number of authorized travel days is the actual number of days used to complete the trip, but not to exceed an amount based on a minimum driving distance per day determined to be reasonable by your agency. The minimum driving distance shall be not less than an average of 300 miles per calendar day. An exception to the daily minimum driving distance may be made when delay is beyond control of the employee, such as when it results from acts of God or restrictions by Government officials; when the employee is physically handicapped; or for other reasons acceptable to the agency.

# § 302-4.202 Are there any circumstances in which a per diem allowance for my immediate family members is not allowed?

Yes, per diem for your immediate family members cannot be authorized if you are:

- (a) A new appointee;
- (b) Assigned to posts of duty outside CONUS returning to place of actual residence for separation; or
- (c) Being relocated under the Government Employees Training Act (5 U.S.C. 4109).

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